also necessary to see whether at this time of financial depression this task should be undertaken by the Government. Further there is another fact. There is already a survey report. A committee is going to be appointed to look into that report. After that is done it may be time to take up this matter. That is the only reason why I am moving the adjournment and not because I am opposed to the principle of the Bill or that I am opposed to free compulsory education.

Motion put and carried.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Poll, Sir.

The House divided—Ayes 26 and Noes 13.

Ayes.

1	Mr. K Achyuta Menon	14	Mr. C J Mathew
2	,, V K Aravindaksha Menon	15	,, T Narayana Menon
3	,, C Barton Wright	16	,, I N Menon
4	,, M A Chakko	17	,, P Nilakanta Menon
5	,, M P Cherian	18	,, M K Raman
6	,, A Eachara Menon	19	,, P Raman Menon
7	,, George Chakyamuri	20	Rama Varmha Tampuran
8	Dr. A G Menon	21	Dr, D Raghavendra Rao
9	Mr. U Kandar Menon	22	Mr. P V Raphael
10	,, P S Kesavan Nambudiri	23	,, A Sankara Menon
11	,, S S Koder	24	Dr, K Sankara Menon
12	,, M Krishna Menon	25	Mr. A Sankara Puduval
13	,, P Krishna Menon	26	,, P V Subramania Ayyar

Noes.

1	Mr. K Ayyappan	7	Mr. A I Mani
2	,, K M Ibrahim	8	,, K T Mathew
3	,, E Ikkanda Warriar	9	,, C A Ouseph
4	,, T K Nayar	10	,, Joseph Pettah
5	,, P Kumaran Ezhuthassan	11	,, T A Ramachandra Ayyar
6	,, Paul Mampilli	12	Dr, A R Menon
		13	Mr. K. P. Vallon

Prevention of Dangerous Diseases Bill.

President.—Mr. K. T. Mathew will introduce the Prevention of Dangerous Diseases Bill.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Sir, I move that the Prevention of Dangerous Diseases Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I second it.

Motion put and carried.

Secretary to the Council.—The title of the Bill is "The Prevention of Dangerous Diseases Bill."

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—I move that the Bill may be referred to a Select Committee consisting of:—

Dr. A. G. Menon
,, K. Sankara Menon
Mr. George Chakyamuri

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Mr. P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri
The Government Advocate
,, Chief Medical Officer and
,, Mover.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Would it be better to include the name of the Sanitary Commissioner also?

President.—No.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—I second it.

Motion put and carried.

President.—I nominate the Government Advocate as the Chairman of the Committee which should report within six months.

Provident Insurance Societies Bill.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—I move that the Cochin Provident Insurance Societies Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—I second it.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—I oppose it, Sir, just to know the nature of the bill, so that the mover may explain. For that only I oppose it.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—I may point out a similar bill has recently been passed in Travancore because so many small Insurance Companies which are not worth the name of Insurance Companies have been promoted with a capital of Rs. 200, Rs. 500, or Rs. 1000 and they run as Kerala, Bharatha or Universal Insurance Companies. Such high-sounding names these companies adopt and they do business, collecting one rupee or two rupees from the poor people and do business without a large capital. They are not based on any sound insurance principles. This question was before the Indian National Congress and the Congress appointed a Committee to investigate this matter in Gujarat. A report has been submitted by that Committee in which they pointed out that such companies do not encourage insurance and in the interests of all they should be brought to an end at the earliest date. They have given reasons as follows:—

"1. The past experience of such companies started during the first decade of the present century indicates invariable failure of such companies.

2. Such companies are not based on actuarial calculations and the name "Free Insurance" given to them by their promoters is a misnomer because it is really speaking a more expensive form of Insurance than ordinary Life Insurance.

3. They are unacturial and hence unscientific, unsound and unworkable and are bound to come to grief unless they resort to unfair methods.

4. The paid up capital of such companies, except one which is doing higher Insurance business does not exceed Rs. 5,000 which is quite insufficient to meet the future obligations of the company.

5. The Reserve Fund that are being built up seem to be hopelessly inadequate to fulfil the retirement clause.

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